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For: Jar For Receiving And Opening A : Examiner: Not Yet Known
Closed Beverage Can

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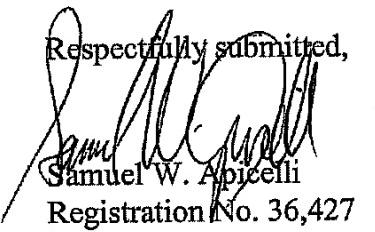
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